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As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

<u>*MODULAR RAPID-ACTION CLAMPING CYLINDER*</u>
(Title of Invention)

the specification of which:
(check one)

_____ *is attached hereto.*

__X__ *was filed on*_____October 14, 2005_____

*Application Serial No.*_____10/553,370_____

and was amended _____
(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)			Priority Claimed	
Number	*Country*	*Filing Date*	*Yes*	*No*
103 17 337.4	*GERMANY*	*April 15, 2003*	*Yes*	_____
PCT/EP2004/003969	*PCT*	*April 15, 2004*	*Yes*	_____

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States Application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37. Code of Federal Regulations. Sections 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:
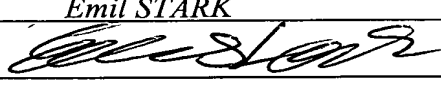
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